

SCHOOL BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE
Summary of Hearing Action
June 25, 2010

The School Budget Review Committee met in regular session on Friday, June 25, 2010, at the Department of Education, ICN Room, Second Floor, Grimes State Office Building, 400 E. 14th St., Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0146.

- 1. Committee Informational Items.** No action is taken on informational or discussion items. Heard cost saving options for hearings. Received the list of final cash reserve levies. Discussed a procedure for rules amendments. Received the 2010-2011 hearing schedule. Reviewed the criteria used in the previous session on requests for loss of Phase I revenues.
- 2. Returning Dropout/Dropout Prevention Programs.** Approved modified allowable growth for the 2010-2011 school year for the districts that have received approval of applications for Returning Dropout and Dropout Prevention programs after the hearing in March 2010.
- 3. Prairie Valley Community School District.** Denied modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$181,056 and received and accepted the district's corrective action. Directed the district to submit monthly reports to its board demonstrating the financial position of the district in relationship to its certified budget control lines and to maximum spending authority. These reports shall be available to the SBRC and to the auditor on request.
- 4. Clay Central Every Community School District.** Denied modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$548,660 as part of the corrective action plan and received and accepted the district's corrective action plan. Directed the district to submit monthly reports to its board demonstrating the financial position of the district in relationship to its certified budget control lines and to maximum spending authority. These reports shall be available to the SBRC and to the auditor on request.
- 5. Decorah Community School District.** Denied modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$6,155 for costs associated with expanding a program.
- 6. West Des Moines Community School District.** Approved modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$63,413 for costs associated with asbestos abatement and environmental hazards.
- 7. Fort Dodge Community School District.** Approved modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$52,683 for costs associated with asbestos abatement and denied modified allowable growth in the amount of \$149,335 for costs associated with technology improvements to a program.

8. Keota Community School District. Denied modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$34,306 for costs associated with a career academy and approved modified allowable growth in the amount of \$18,491 for costs associated with the increased FTE of a shared teacher librarian.

9. Highland Community School District. Approved modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$24,365 for costs associated with hiring a school nurse and denied modified allowable growth in the amount of \$36,063 for loss of federal funding.

10. Clarion Goldfield Community School District. Approved modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$9,282 for costs associated with transporting a regular education student to a court-placed day program outside the district.

11. Jefferson-Scranton Community School District. Approved modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$63,330 for a reduction in miscellaneous income due to elimination of educational excellence phase I.

12. Clarksville Community School District. Denied modified allowable growth for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$27,675 for a reduction in miscellaneous income due to elimination of educational excellence phase I.